



CONDUCT CIVIL DISCUSSION

The House of Representatives,  
After Much Discussion, Pass-  
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**GENERAL DEFICIENCY BILL TAKEN UP.**

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It is the Last of the General Appro-  
priation Measures to Be Consid-  
ered at This Session.

**The Senate Spent the Day On the Post Office Appropriation Bill Making Some Progress, But Not Completing It.**

Washington, Feb. 21.—The house finally passed the sundry civil appropriation bill Wednesday and extended until next week the consideration of the senate.

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Mr. Sherman offered an amendment designed to prohibit the use of the money of the United States for the maintenance of the army, and the maintenance of the navy, and the maintenance of the militia. This amendment was pending on a point of order when the house adjourned.

**Senate Proceedings.**

The senate spent the day on the post office bill, making no further progress, but not completing it. The amendment of Mr. Butler (N. C.), proposing a reduction of about 5 per cent. in the pay for railroads, was defeated, by a vote of 16 to 5, after a debate, in which Mr. Dewey answered Mr. Butler's criticism on the large profits made by the railroads. The day closed with a sharp controversy on the pneumatic tube question was precipitated by an amendment offered by Mr. Mason extending that service to Chicago, and was sustained by a vote of 15 to 3. Mr. Hale moved to suspend the rules, and to pass the bill.

tem, referring to a "job and lobby." When he made a point of order that a committee had not passed on the amendment the advocates of the resolution quickly circulated a call for a meeting of the committee on postal offices and the session closed with Mr. Valente's humorous announcement of the committee meeting in response to the imperative demands made on him.

The men were members of an organization known as the Knights of the Archer. The charter of this order, which was found by the posse arresting the Negroes, is said to contain an oath of vengeance against the whites and the members were obliged to defend themselves against

**BURNED TO DEATH.**

**Six-Year-Old Girl Fired the Clothing of a Smaller Sister—Her Fourth Attempt.**

the absence of her mother Wednesday night, the sister of John Myers for the fourth time attempted to take the life of one of her two smaller sisters and succeeded.

She took a stick of burning stove-wood and laid it on the head of her sister to the floor pressed the brand against her clothing. The victim managed to get out of doors and lay down in a snowdrift, which barely protected her from the elements. She so terribly burned about the legs and body that she died in a few hours afterward. The girl's sister does not seem to realize the significance of her act.

**Cuba Will Accept.**

Havana, Feb. 21.—It is learned that the constitutional convention, in secret session, decided to accept the conditions of independence imposed

has not yet made this decision public.

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**Treasury Statement.**

Washington, Feb. 21.—Wednesday's statement of the treasury balances

\$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption shows: Available cash balance, \$145,117,637; gold, \$76,021,920.



